

**Senate File 295 - Introduced**

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BY BOULTON and TAYLOR

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the operation of the state mental health  
2 institutes.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 226.1, subsection 1, Code 2017, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. a. The state hospitals for persons with mental illness  
4 shall ~~be designated as follows~~ be operated and funded by the  
5 state on a year-round basis in the following four locations:  
6 ~~a.~~ (1) Mental Health Institute, Mount Pleasant, Iowa.  
7 ~~b.~~ (2) Mental Health Institute, Independence, Iowa.  
8 ~~c.~~ (3) Mental Health Institute, Clarinda, Iowa.  
9 ~~d.~~ (4) Mental Health Institute, Cherokee, Iowa.  
10 b. Each state hospital shall serve twenty-five counties.

11 EXPLANATION

12 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
13 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

14 This bill relates to the operation of the state mental  
15 health institutes. Under current Code, the state hospitals  
16 for persons with mental illness are designated as mental  
17 health institutes to be located in Iowa in Mount Pleasant,  
18 Independence, Clarinda, and Cherokee.

19 The bill amends current law to provide that the state mental  
20 health institutes shall be operated and funded by the state on  
21 a year-round basis in the same locations and that each state  
22 mental health institute shall serve 25 counties.